Alaska Creative Forces Summit – February 21-22, 2018





Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at Anchorage Community Works				
1:00- 2:00pm	Community Information Session	Welcome from ASCA Presenters: Bill O'Brien, NEA Senior Advisor for Innovation Danielle Kalseth, Music Therapist Katie Bell, Art Therapist	General information session to learn about Creative Forces and art and music therapy.	
5:00- 7:30pm	Welcome Reception, Lite Fare, Art Activities	5:30 Remarks Benjamin Brown, ASCA Chairman Dr. Jane Chu, NEA Chairman	Enjoy music by Emily Anderson and metal pour demonstration by Pat Garley, Arctic Fires Studio.	
Thursday,	February 22, 2018 at Arctic V	Varrior Event Center (JBER) Susi	tna Room	
8:30- 9:00am	Check In and Coffee		Enjoy a creative activity with Susan Joy-Share	
9:00- 9:45am	Welcome and National Anthem	9am Call to Seating -Welcome from Benjamin Brown, Alaska State Council on the Arts Chair - Military Welcome from Major Jaime Pons-Valerio, Clinical Neuropsychologist Director, mTBI Clinic, JBER - National Anthem performed by the music therapy program participants at 673rd medical group Welcome from Dr. Jane Chu, NEA Chairman - Welcome from Marete Wester, Americans for the Arts - Welcome from Anchorage First Lady, Mara Kimmel - Plan for the Day, Andrea Noble-Pelant, ASCA		
9:45- 10:15am	Morning music and wellness meditation.	Dr. Malasri Chaudhery-Malgeri Danielle Kalseth		
10:15- 11:15am	Treating the Wounds of War: Creative Arts Therapies and Arts Practices in Military Treatment Facilities	Dr. Sara Kass Major Jaime Pons-Valerio Danielle Kalseth	VA and local Creative Forces clinical sites: A common understanding of clinical work.	

11:15am – 12:15pm	Panel Discussion: Building Capacity – Moving from Clinical to Community	Facilitator: Brigadier General Nolen Bivens, US Army (Ret.) Panelists: Verdie Bowen, Director of Veteran's Affairs Dr. Susan Maley, State of Alaska DHSS Octavia Thompson, State Family Program Director, Alaska National Guard	How can arts organizations, other veteran agencies and service organizations, and other local arts, military, and veteran community stakeholders: • Ensure arts orgs, artists and military communities understand the Clinical bases of the AK – Elmendorf Creative Forces program • Build Arts to Military Community Capacity • Build Cultural Competencies
		Andrea Noble-Pelant, ASCA	(art to military & vice versa)Build Military and Community Connections
12:15 pm	Working Lunch Begins		Enjoy a creative activity with Susan Joy-Share
12:30pm	Messages from DC	Senator Lisa Murkowski Senator Dan Sullivan	,
12:45- 1:45pm	Presentations: Veterans Spouse Project and Performances	Facilitated by Danielle Kalseth	
1:45 – 2:45pm	Presentations: Community Arts Organizations Projects and Collaborations	Facilitated by: Andrea Noble-Pelant, ASCA Pat Garley, Arctic Fires Studio Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Komatsu, 49 Writers Susan Joy Share, Artist	
2:45 - 3pm	Break		Enjoy a creative activity with Susan Joy-Share
3 -4pm	Table Discussion	Facilitator: Bill O'Brien, NEA	What is Achievable: 1. Goals & Opportunities? 2. Challenges We Face? 3. Strategies for Pursuing Goals & Achievements
4 -4:30pm	Report Back and Next Steps	Facilitator: Brigadier General Nolen Bivens, US Army (Ret.)	
4:30- 5:00pm	Wrap –Up /Closing Remarks	Bill O'Brien, NEA, Benjamin Brown, ASCA	